

## Saving Planet X

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Once there lived a little girl named Wild. She was 10 years old. Wild was like any normal 10 year old girl except Wild came from a different universe, from a planet called Planet X. Wild had a little sister named Ruby. Ruby was 9 but had a pretty good sense of fashion, she almost always wore her checkered yellow skirt. Wild also had two odd pets, one was a winged pine marten named Martyn and the other was an ice breathing dragon named Icicle.

It was a warm, sunny day. Wild and Ruby were playing tag with Martyn and Icicle when they heard a BOOM! They turned around and saw smoke. Their mom ran out and grabbed Wild and Ruby, she ran with them, Martyn and icicle following behind. Wild turned around and saw a weird figure with a pointy mask, a black cloak with black specks of fire shooting out of him.

“I,” said a very deep voice, “am the LEADER of the Lorgons, bow down to me or ELSE!” He said as he shot a flaming black fire ball onto Wild’s house. Everyone ran in different directions trying to escape the fiery balls. Blue rays shot out, capturing people. Suddenly Wild didn’t feel her moms warm hand. She turned around.

“MOM!” cried Wild and Ruby. Their mom was being taken away in one of the blue rays! Wild, Ruby, Martyn and Icicle hid in a dumpster. They waited, but soon they didn't hear any screaming so they climbed out.

“Everyone’s gone,” said Ruby.

“What do we do?” asked Wild, clutching onto Martyn. “Wait! The keystone that keeps our planet safe, something must have happened to it!” Wild started running towards the middle of the city, she found the keystone on a big iron slab. Her eyes widened.

“Oh no! The keystone is completely cracked!” Wild didn't know what to say or do. One side of the keystone was not badly broken, the other side however was shattered into a million pieces. The rainbow light in the keystone wasn't there anymore. Wild was frozen.

“Hey, didn't you read about how to fix a keystone?” asked Ruby.

“Wait...yes!” Wild ran to the ruins of her home with Ruby, Martyn and Icicle close behind. She didn't even have to open her door, it had been destroyed by the fiery flames of Lord Deathroat. She found the book laying on the floor beside her bed. She had read it the night before, but it was completely unharmed from the fire, as if magic had kept it intact. Wild coughed from the smoke and sputtered,

“Oh thank goodness the book is safe!”

“Well?” asked Ruby, “What does it say about fixing the keystone?”

“This book says to use the half of the keystone we have and go to a place called Wizard's Edge to get the other half of the keystone. Once we have the pieces, we need to say *Keystone, keystone so great and powerful, protect me, protect her, protect him, protect our planet.*”

“Wizard's Edge isn't that far from here!” said Ruby. The two grabbed hands and started jumping around in circles. Wild grabbed the half keystone they had. “Grab onto

Martyn and let's hop on Icicle!" said Wild. Icicle bent down for Ruby, Wild and Martyn to hop on. She roared as she breathed out some snow and flew off.

They arrived at Wizard's Edge in 10 minutes with a hard thud. They were on a path that led to a castle. It was the castle that belonged to Shnozlebeard. The wizard that the Wizard's Edge is named after. He is in charge of protecting all of the wizards in the universe. A short, old wizard with a long white beard was there to address them with one simple word.

"NO!"

"What do you mean no, you don't even know why we are here?" said Wild.

"I mean NO! N-O. I don't really care why you are here." The small grumpy wizard said. He used one of his tiny boots on his foot and kicked Icicle in the behind, startled, Ruby, Wild and Martyn fell off of Icicle. "Be gone," he said.

"Well, he was mean," said Ruby.

"I have a plan," said Wild. "Ruby, do you have any other clothes with you?"

"Of course, I keep an outfit for any occasion in my bag." Ruby replied, taking a beautiful dress out of her backpack she had on her back.

Ruby changed into a beautiful pink dress that came down to her ankles. It was very poofy. She put on a crown, so she looked like a princess rather than a girl from Planet X. She started walking up the path and ran into the same short old wizard. Ruby blinked then she went into acting.

"Oh, I am so frightened, I can't find my way home. May I please come in?"

"Fine," said the small grumpy wizard as he opened the gate. Wild snuck in behind, with Martyn in her arms. They spotted the other half of the keystone, but the

wizard turned around so Wild hid with Martyn. Wild told Martyn to fly over and when the wizard's back was turned and get the keystone. To distract the wizard Ruby put out a fist, "fist five!" she said.

"Huh?" The old wizard said, confused.

"I don't know what it is either," said Ruby, "but I hear it's popular on the planet Earth. You have to hit my fist with your fist." the wizard hit her fist with his really hard.

"Owwwww!" said Ruby as she held her fist, her face turned red with anger. Wild quietly laughed to herself as Martyn flew to get the keystone. Ruby clenched her fist and swung it at the wizard's face. Wild turned around not wanting to see this. When she knew it was over she looked again and saw the wizard was face first on the floor.

"Well," said Wild, "I guess that works too." Martyn came back with the other half of the keystone." They all cheered.

"Yay!" Shnozzlebeard entered the room as he heard this.

"INTRUDERS!" he yelled, "ATTACK!" Just then, at least 50 wizards appeared in the room.

"Run!" Yelled Wild to the others. They ran out of the castle the way they came and found Icicle waiting for them. They climbed on, Martyn flying up to take his place on Icicle's back. As they began to fly away, the wizards followed close behind. They made spears and launched them at Icicle. They just escaped without getting hit.

Ruby put the two pieces together and she realized something... "Wild!" she said "we are still missing two more pieces, see there are still two parts missing, like a puzzle!" She showed Wild the pieces of the keystone.

“WHAT?” Wild said, “you’re right! Where are the next two?” Ruby shrugged then Icicle bounced them on her back to get their attention. “What is it girl?” She asked, “do you know where the next piece is?” Icicle nodded. Excited, Ruby fell off Icicle’s back. Icicle flew underneath her and caught her. Wild grabbed her hand and Ruby didn’t seem to let go of Icicle for one minute. Not long after they landed.

“Hey this is a weird land. Oh... this is *Earth*.” Ruby said as Icicle landed with another thud.

“Aliens!” Screamed an unfamiliar voice. Ruby and Wild turned around and saw a boy.

“We aren't aliens,” said Wild.

“Oh yeah?” said the boy, “Then why did you come from outer space?”

“We are from a different planet!”

“You realize that means your aliens right?” Said the boy. Wild looked confused.

“I've never heard of such a word,” she said with her arms crossed.

“Riiiiiiight,” said the boy.

“Should I do the same thing to this boy as I did to the wizard?” Ruby whispered to Wild with her fist up and ready.

“What? No! What the heck? What is it with you and punching people?” Wild replied. “Why are you scared of us anyway?” asked Wild this time out loud to the boy.

“Well in most books aliens are evil and want to abduct humans,” said the boy.

“Wow, you guys are really into stereotypes,” said Ruby. Wild gave her a shove.

“I'm Jacob Cole, and I'm 10. Welcome to Earth,” said the boy.

“Thanks,” said Wild.

“Wow, he’s got a long name,” said Ruby to Wild. Wild just stared at Ruby.

“What are you doing here anyway?” asked Jacob.

“We need to save our planet. Have you seen a glowing rainbow crystal, my dragon thinks it’s here?” Jacob smirked. I know just what you're talking about. They followed Jacob as he led them. Jacob walked down a rocky trail the others followed. Pretty soon they were at the end of the rocky trail and on a sidewalk, close to some apartment buildings.

“It’s right down this street,” said Jacob pointing down a deserted street.

“Why is it so empty here?” asked Wild.

“Not many people like to live on this side of town,” replied Jacob.

“Well it does look boring,” said Ruby. “I just think it looks...well it doesn't really look like anyone even cares that it is here.”

“People used to care,” said Jacob, “but a lot of aliens from other planets started using this spot to land their spaceships and people got scared and moved away. Not my family though.”

“We know about visitors from other planets coming to our planet and scaring everyone!” Said Ruby.

“That’s why we need this piece of the keystone. We are trying to stop someone who is trying to destroy our planet. He’s already started and he’s taken our mom.” Said Wild.

“Oh, I'm sorry to hear that. Well here we are.” said Jacob.

“The Museum of Unknown Artifacts.” Wild read, “It's in here?”

“Yes ma’am,” Jacob said.

“Are you sure we can trust you?” asked Ruby. Icicle snarled.

“RUBY! ICICLE!” Wild said.

“What?” asked Ruby, “I can think what I like.”

“Don't worry you can trust me. Nice pine marten by the way.” Martyn smiled.

“Closed, what does that mean?” asked Wild.

“That means we can't be seen,” replied Jacob, “the shop closes at 4:00 which is a little early if you ask me.” Jacob picked the lock on the door. “Now everyone, don't make a noise.” Everyone tip-toed in. “There,” Jacob whispered. Martyn quietly crept towards the keystone and grabbed it with his wing carrying it like it was a baby. Then out of nowhere alarms went off.

“Run!” yelled Jacob. BEEP BOOP WOO WOO ABABABABA. Alarms were going off everywhere they turned. “There!” Jacob pointed to the exit but 2 seconds later guards stepped in front. “RUN!” Jacob yelled again. Jacob and wild started to run when they heard pow! Whack! They turned around and every single guard was on the ground.

“Let's roll,” said Ruby. They exited the building and climbed on to Icicle where she was waiting outside the museum.

“Thanks Jacob, bye!” Wild said.

“Wait, let me come with you! I can help.” Jacob said.

“Are you sure?” asked Wild.

“Absolutely just bring me home before 7:30, that's my dinner time, my parents don't like it when I am late.” Jacob said.

“Deal,” said Wild, “hop on!” Icicle lowered her body so Jacob could climb on. Icicle followed Martyn as Martyn led the way to the next location of the keystone part. Clearly he knew where the next part of the keystone was as well as Icicle.

“Make sure to wear this helmet, Jacob,” said Ruby, “Earth people can't breathe this far from home.”

“Thanks, by the way, I never got your names.”

“I’m Wild,” said Wild, “my sister is Ruby and the flying pine marten is Martyn.”

“Creative,” said Jacob. Wild rolled her eyes.

“And this is Icicle,” Wild said, patting Icicle on the back. Icicle blew out a cold breath of ice.

“Whoa I thought dragons only breathe fire!” Jacob said, impressed.

“Now where did you get that idea?” Asked Wild, smiling. She knew that Earthlings were very wrong about “mythical” creatures. Soon they landed.

“Is this Earth’s moon?” Wild asked. Icicle and Martyn just nodded. Everyone jumped off of Icicle’s back.

“Whoa!” said Ruby, trying to walk on the moon. Martyn jumped onto Wild knocking her over in slow motion.

“Haha when we save our planet we need to come back here!” said Wild.

“Agreed,” said Ruby and Jacob together.

“Jacob?” Wild asked, confused.

“I want to come too!” Jacob said.

“The more the merrier!” said Wild, “now Martyn, lead us to the keystone.” But Martyn didn’t move.



“Oh great!” Said Ruby, “he only knows how to get here he doesn't know WHERE it is!”

“Icicle?” Wild asked. Icicle looked down.

“Yipee,” Ruby said sarcastically, “none of our pets know where it is!”

“It's OK Ruby,” said Wild “it's cool that they even knew how to get here!”

“Uh, guys,” said Jacob.

“Yes?” Ruby was still mad that they didn't know where the last part of the keystone was.

“I might know where it is,” Jacob said.

“Where?” asked Wild exited.

“Here,” Jacob said as he grabbed a piece of moon that was not attached anymore.

“A rock?” asked Ruby.

“Not just any rock, a MOON rock,” said Jacob.

“Perfect!” said Wild they had gotten all 4 pieces of the keystone. Wild, Ruby, Jacob and Martyn each held a piece of the keystone and put it together. It glowed in rainbow colours, bright enough to see from Earth.

“We'd better get you home.” Wild told Jacob it's probably almost 7:30 Earth time.

“Hop on you guys,” said Wild. Everyone got on Icicle. As they were flying home Jacob asked,

“How come it only takes like 15 minutes to get from Earth to its moon on a dragon?”

“Huh?” Wild said, confused.

“If we were travelling by spaceship it would take at least 3 days.” Jacob said.

“Well dragons can go much faster than a spaceship cause obviously they are magical.” Jacob thought about this, but he was happy with the answer.

Once they got to Jacobs house, Icicle hovered just a bit above the grass. Jacob hopped down from Icicle.

“Hey,” said Wild, “mind if we pop by tomorrow to play some Earth games?”

“Sure,” said Jacob, “but AFTER you save your planet right?” Wild nodded

“BYE!” yelled Wild and Ruby together. Wild grabbed onto Martyn as Icicle flew them back to Planet X.

Once they arrived at Planet X, Icicle landed with her usual thud. They felt heat when they landed. They turned around and saw Lord Deathroat and a fiery dragon that looked like it was made purely from lava.

“Looks like I missed some trash,” he said to them. He threw a fire ball at them, Martyn brought his wings together with a force that sent the fireball back toward Lord Deathroat. Wild held the keystone in her hand but then Lord Deathroat grabbed it.

“What’s this here?” He said, studying the stone. “Now you four will also work for me.” Then icicle shot an icicle right toward Lord Deathroat.

“Oh poop,” he said as he and his dragon fell toward a pit of water, Martyn flew down and grabbed the keystone right out of Lord Deathroat’s hand right before he hit the water. The water steamed as Lord Deathroat’s dragon turned from lava to rock, killing him.

“Yes!” they all yelled when Martyn handed Wild the Keystone. But then, Wild felt Martyn’s little paws on her legs. Wild turned around and saw Lord Deathroat’s shiny

pointy mask as he climbed out of the pit. He had lost his fire powers from falling into the water, but he still had spears with him. He threw a spear at Wild but she dodged it, making her drop the keystone. It rolled toward a pit of lava, but stopped before it fell in.

“FINE! I’ll destroy you without my fire!” Lord Deathroat grabbed some more knives and spears and tossed them at Ruby and Wild. Ruby narrowly dodged them. But Wild jumped on the spears and knives and jumped on Lord Deathroat she grabbed the keystone and tossed it to Ruby, Ruby caught it. Wild started choking Lord Deathroat and punched his face. She saw Icicle flying toward them and backed away so Icicle could pick up Lord Deathroat and drop him into the pit of Lava. He tried to escape, but he had already been burned, so Icicle blew ice at him and he immediately turned to stone. Icicle flew him far into outer space, where he would be a space rock. She took his dragon out to space too.

Wild took the keystone from Ruby. Ruby and Wild chanted together,

“Keystone, keystone so great and powerful, protect me, protect her, protect him, protect our planet.” At these words, the keystone glowed. Buildings grew, houses and trees came back, but best of all the people came back.

“WILD! RUBY!” the girls would have recognized that voice anywhere.

“MOM!” They called. The three of them hugged and hugged Martyn and hugged Icicle. Because of Ruby, Wild, Martyn and Icicle’s bravery, Planet X was saved, and they never had to worry about Lord Deathroat again.

Or did they...

## **Epilogue**

“Haha!” said Wild, who was currently being squirted with a squirt gun by Jacob. Ruby, Martyn and Icicle were playing too.

“Grrrrr,” said Martyn, who was shot by Ruby.

“Ahhhh,” said Ruby, who was being squirted by Wild. Wild shot Icicle with her squirt gun, but Icicle didn't feel a thing.

“Haha I win,” cried Jacob as he squirted all four of them.

“Wow,” said Wild, “your Earth games are hard.”

“What do you guys like to play at home?” Jacob asked.

“Slime tag,” said Ruby.

“Ok how do you play?” said Jacob. Wild pulled out a gun and shot it at a table, slime came out.

“Don't get caught... especially by me...” Wild said. Jacob started running then Wild caught him everyone laughed, even Jacob.

**THE END**

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